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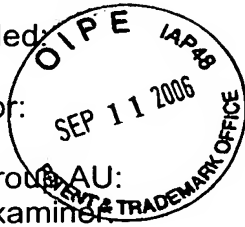
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE
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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Defective Response mailed August 11, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as listed in the following, and as set forth on the following pages:

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION; and

REMARKS are included following the amendments.